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SUBJECT: TAKEOVER OF SINAI OIL FIELDS

REF: STATE 235750

1. IN ABSENCE SAWTELLE, WHO IS IN ALEXANDRIA TODAY, WE PASSED MESSAGE CONTAINED REFTTEL TO SPIELMAN. SPIELMAN SAID MOBIL TECHNICIANS ARE READY TO VOE AT ANY TIME THEY ARE GIVEN WORD. # CONFIRMING PREVIOUS ARRANGEMENTS, MEETING BETWEEN MOBIL AND UNEF TO TAKE PLACE AT 1000, OCTOBER 4, AFTER WHICH MOBIL TECHNICIANS AND SAWTELLE WILL PROCEED TO SUEZ TO AWAIT ORDERS TO CROSS TO SINAI.

2. SPIELMAN, ACKNOWLEDGING THAT HE HAD NOT DISCUSSED FOLLOWING WITH SAWTELLE, ASKED IF DEPARTMENT COULD CONTACT WEISMAN AND GAIN APPROVAL FOR CONTINGENCY GUIDANCE, UNDER THE SAWTELLE WOULD BE PERMITTED TO RELEASE TECHNICIANS ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, WITHOUT SPECIFIC ADVANCE CLEARANCE FROM MOBIL, NEW YORK IF FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET: (A) EGYPTIANS GIVE THEM GO-AHEAD; (B) UNEF ARRANGEMENTS FULLY COMPLETE AND (C) THEY ARE ASSURED BY UN THAT ISRAELIS AGREE TO ALLOW THEM TO ENTER.

3. SPIELMAN RIGHTLY POINTS OUT THAT WITH SAWTELLE IN SUEZ, COINCIDENCE OF BAIRAM HOLIDAYS WILL MAKE COMMUNICATIONS DIFFICULT IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE. HE BELIEVES GOODWILL OF EXERCISE WOULD BE DAMAGED IF AT LAST MINUTE MOBIL WERE THE ONES WHO REFUSED NOT MOVE PENDING PRIOR CLEARANCE FROM NY HEADQUARTERS. #

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4. REQUEST DEPT CONTACT WISEMAN TO EXPLAIN ABOVE SITUATION
AND ASK THAT REPLY BE PASSED THROUGH DEPT AND EMBASSY TO
SPIELMAN/SAWTELLE. SPIELMAN PREFERS THIS METHOD OF
COMMUNICATION BECAUSE HE DOES NOT WANT GOE TO BE AWARE
OF THESE DISCUSSIONS.

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NOTE BY OC/T: # PARA 1. TEXT AS RECEIVED. "READY TO MOVE AT"?

PARA 3. TEXT AS RECEIVED. "REFUSED TO MOVE"?

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